

Summary of Overview and Scrutiny Comments:

At its meeting on 18 January 2011 the Sustainable Communities Overview and Scrutiny Committee received a report which summarised the draft of the third Local Transport Plan (LTP3) for Central Bedfordshire. Whilst Members raised comment on some aspects of the Plan's content they were also of the strong and unanimous opinion that the Plan should be approved and adopted. The Committee agreed the following recommendations to be considered by the Executive:-

1. That the Executive be strongly recommended to adopt the vision, objectives, priorities and Implementation Plan of the third Local Transport Plan (LTP3) and the areas of intervention through which these will be achieved
2. that the officers responsible for drafting the Plan be commended on the consultation and resulting document..

Further details relating to these recommendations are contained in Appendix T

Meeting: Executive
Date: 15 February 2011
Subject: Local Transport Plan 3

Recommendations of the Sustainable Communities Overview and Scrutiny Committee:

1. At its meeting on 18 January 2011 the Sustainable Communities Overview and Scrutiny Committee received a report relating to the third local transport plan for Central Bedfordshire. The Committee discussed the following issues:-
 - 1.1 Concerns that the Development Strategy Task Force had not discussed the detail of the local area transport plans and that the level of consultation with town and parish councils had in some cases been inappropriate. In response to questions it was commented that the Development Strategy Task Force had considered the Local Transport Plan 3 on numerous occasions and it was considered more appropriate for the local area transport plans to be discussed in specific local consultation events. Appropriate Members had been invited to attend these events throughout the consultation process. The Chairman commented that the LTP3 had incorporated the comments of the task force meetings appropriately throughout.
 - 1.2 The concept of shared surfaces did not have enough prominence throughout the document and this would be amended by officers prior to the consideration of the plan by the Executive.
 - 1.3 The importance of working effectively with other neighbouring authorities to deliver the plan. It was also considered important that the plan referred to emerging government policy such as the Localism Bill to ensure that it remained appropriate, specifically in relation to the provision of residential parking spaces.
 - 1.4 Officers should review references to prioritising supported travel for pupils and consider if the use of the word 'subsidised' was appropriate.

RECOMMENDED to the Executive:

1. **That the Executive be strongly recommended to adopt the vision, objectives, priorities and Implementation Plan of the third Local Transport Plan (LTP3) and the areas of intervention through which these will be achieved**
2. **that the officers responsible for drafting the Plan be commended on the consultation and resulting document.**